



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Anand Huprikar et al.

Serial No.: 10/619,913 Group Art Unit: 3683

Filed: July 15, 2003 Examiner: Nguyen, Xuan Lan T.

Title: MIXED MODE MOUNTING ASSEMLBY
FOR SHOCK/STRUT ROD

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

On November 15, 2005, Applicant's Representative, Sam Hidle, conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Xuan Lan Nguyen.

Claims 1 and 31, as well as U.S. Patent No. 6,076,794 to Pradel, were specifically discussed. In particular, Applicant explained the amendments that were made to claims 1 and 31 in the Amendment that was filed with the U.S. Patent Office on October 28, 2005. Applicant specifically discussed the structural features of these amendments and the operational characteristics of the subject invention. Applicant also discussed various deficiencies with Pradel and that Pradel does not include all of the structural limitations of claims 1 and 31. During this discussion, it was recognized that an additional minor clarifying amendment should be made to claim 1. This minor clarification is being made in an Amendment filed in conjunction herewith. These discussions related to the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the Examiner.

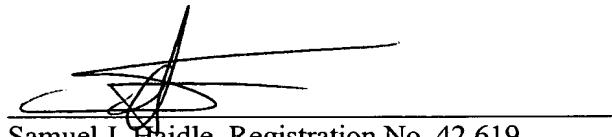


An agreement as to the allowance of the claims was not reached. However, the Examiner indicated that the amendments to claims 1 and 31 appear to distinguish the invention over Pradel.

It is respectfully submitted that the Application is presented in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. Although no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the attached **Interview Summary, Amendment, and return post card** are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, Express Mail Label No. EL 826 405 591 US, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to **Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**, on November 18, 2005.



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